
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 3, 2022

TIME: Rise of the House

PLACE: House Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Resolution No. [7137](#)

BY Kislak, Cortvriend, Amore, Potter, Felix, Alzate, Carson, Ajello, Speakman, Kazarian
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FEDERAL LEGISLATION GRANTING
STATEHOOD TO THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON, D.C. {LC3445/1}

01/20/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

01/28/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/31/2022 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7188](#)

BY Kislak, McEntee, Ranglin-Vassell, Knight, Ajello, Felix, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN --
PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT {LC3673/1} (Prohibits any questioning of a juvenile who is
suspected of delinquent or criminal behavior, unless the parent or guardian of the juvenile is
present, or unless an attorney is present or the juvenile and their parents have waived their
presence.)

01/26/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

01/28/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/31/2022 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7191](#)

BY Edwards, Williams, Kislak, Cassar, Serpa, Knight, Kazarian, Bennett, McNamara, Craven
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- HOMICIDE {LC4107/1}

(Abolishes penalty of life without parole and amends/repeals all sections of general laws regulating
prisoners serving a sentence of life without parole. It would have prospective and retroactive effect
for any offense committed after January 1, 1991.)

01/26/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/04/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/06/2022 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7249](#)

BY Morales, Alzate, McGaw, Giraldo, Batista, Henries, Williams, Biah, Kislak, Felix ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND SANCTUARY STATE ACT {LC3391/1} (Requires a judicial warrant before federal immigration authorities are granted access to certain designated locations. Limit the state and local law enforcement agencies in assisting federal immigration authorities.)

01/28/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7304](#)

BY J Lombardi, Hull, Potter, Baginski, Fellela, Barros, Messier, Alzate, Batista, Vella-Wilkinson ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS {LC4202/1} (Allows expungement of multiple felony convictions for non-violent felonies 10 years after sentence completed.)

02/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7311](#)

BY Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- MODERNIZATION OF PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICES, ADVERTISEMENTS AND OTHER WRITTEN MATTERS {LC3949/1} (Allows the publication of legal notices on the state's official website and a corresponding local newspaper satisfying the requirements for the publication of any statutorily-required notice, advertisement, or other written matter in a newspaper.)

02/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7312](#)

BY Place, Chippendale, Quattrocchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS ACT {LC4128/1} (Authorizes municipalities to publish public notices in any newspaper in circulation in the municipality or on any other platform designated by ordinance.)

02/02/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7353](#)

BY Felix, Craven, McEntee, Knight, Kislak, Williams, Batista, Potter, Amore, Henries

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE {LC3388/1} (Prohibits the courts from setting cash or surety bail on any misdemeanor offense but would permit the court to set reasonable non-monetary conditions of bail to assure the defendant's presence in court as required and to protect the community.)

02/04/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7354](#)

BY Felix, Batista, Craven, McEntee, Potter, Amore, Henries, Tanzi, Williams

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS {LC3780/1} (Provides for the sealing of court records without motion and by operation of law thirty (30) days after acquittal or exoneration of all counts in a criminal case.)

02/04/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7355](#)

BY Felix, McEntee, Kazarian, Morales, Alzate, McNamara, Williams, Potter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- GENERAL PROVISIONS {LC3387/1} (Further delineates the definitions of felony, misdemeanor and petty misdemeanor.)

02/04/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7356](#)

BY Felix, Knight, Potter, Williams, Batista, Cassar, Craven, Henries, Alzate, Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND EXECUTION {LC3383/1} (Provides additional factors that a court must consider in imposing a sentence on a criminal defendant.)

02/04/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7402](#)

BY Ajello, Caldwell, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC4083/1} (Requires returns of a marriage certificate to be filed within two (2) business days after the ceremony, and validates the common practice of filing the return by mail.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7410](#)

BY Craven, Casimiro, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- EVIDENCE {LC3189/1} (Prohibits use of illegally seized evidence in administrative hearing involving fish/wildlife violations, limits penalties for violations to \$500, establishes forfeiture provisions, requires hearing officers to decide constitutional issues.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7411](#)

BY Shanley, Amore, Craven, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINALS -- CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS -- LOSS OF RIGHTS BY PRISONERS {LC3954/1} (Repeals the provision of the general laws declaring prisoners serving a life sentence civilly dead.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7414](#)

BY Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- THIRD-PARTY LITIGATION FINANCING CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT {LC4428/1} (Comprehensively regulates the practices of third-party litigation financiers in Rhode Island to provide transparency in litigation.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7415](#)

BY Perez, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SPECIAL LICENSE FOR MOTORCYCLES, MOTOR SCOOTERS AND OTHER MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLES {LC4314/1} (Requires any operator of a motorcycle, motor scooter or motor-driven cycle to wear a helmet. Violations would be punished by a fine of \$100 and would increase the fines for failure of a passenger to wear a helmet to \$100.)

02/09/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7455](#)

BY Craven, Cortvriend

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- CONSERVATION AND PRESERVATION RESTRICTIONS ON REAL PROPERTY {LC4690/1} (Requires conservation and preservation restrictions to be liberally interpreted in favor of the grants awarded.)

02/11/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7460](#)

BY McNamara, Serpa, Fellela, Kazarian, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GENERALLY - EVIDENCE {LC3491/1} (Provides that certain statements by a health care provider to a patient or the patient's family would be inadmissible as evidence or an admission of liability.)

02/11/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [7461](#)

BY Kislak, Felix, Knight, Ajello, Cassar, Batista, Williams, Kazarian, Barros, Alzate ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT {LC4713/1} (Prohibits family court from detaining or committing any juvenile, under 14 years of age, to training school, for any enumerated capital offenses or attempts to commit those offenses, and court determines that there is no other reasonable placement.)

02/11/2022 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

02/24/2022 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION:

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at <http://rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx>.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via
HouseJudiciary@rilegislature.gov

**Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message.
Due to high volume, clerks are not screening this inbox for verbal testimony requests.
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DEADLINE: Written testimony should be submitted no later than three (3) hours prior to the posted meeting time. Every effort will be made to share written testimony submitted before the deadline with committee members prior to the hearing. Testimony received after deadline will be posted to the website as soon as possible.

For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.

Testimony will be posted on the General Assembly website.
<http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HJUD2022.aspx>

VERBAL TESTIMONY

***DEADLINE:** Individuals may testify in person or over the phone. For phone testimony, the deadline to register is 4:00 pm the day prior. To register, complete the [FORM](#) or sign-up in person with the committee clerk.

Masks are mandatory in committee hearings and in the State House.

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called and in some cases, it may be at a late hour. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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